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C O N F I D E N T I A L SAIGON 2579

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MOPS VS

SUBJECT: AMERICANS IN BAN ME THUOT

1. BAN ME THUOT (CAPITAL OF DARLAC PROVINCE) CAME UNDER HEAVY ATTACK BEGINNING EARLY THIS MORNING. ACCORDING OUR RECORDS THERE ARE FOURTEEN AMERICANS (FIVE DAO CONTRACTORS, SEVEN MISSIONARIES, ONE RED CROSS OFFICIAL, AND OUR CONGEN PROVINCIAL REPRESENTATIVE), MOST OR ALL OF WHOM WE HAVE BEEN TOLD BY ARVN ARE ASSEMBLED IN SECTOR HQ IN BAN ME THUOT. WE HAVE NO DIRECT COMMUNICATIONS WITH THEM, BUT UNDERSTAND FROM VIETNAMESE MILITARY SOURCES THAT HEAVY FIGHTING CONTINUES IN BAN ME THUOT.

2. WE HAVE TWO HELICOPTERS STANDING BY IN NHA TRANG TO EVACUATE THESE AMERICANS AS SOON AS IT BECOMES FEASIBLE TO DO SO.  
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